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June 06, 2012

The Honorable Board of Supervisors
County of Los Angeles
383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration
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Dear Supervisors:

ADOPTED

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

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EXECUTIVE OFFICER

**AWARD OF A PUBLIC WORKS CONSTRUCTION CONTRACT
CULVERTS UPGRADE – PHASE 1
IN THE UNINCORPORATED COMMUNITIES OF AGOURA HILLS,
BIG ROCK, CORNELL, EL NIDO, FERNWOOD, MALIBU LAKE,
MONTE NIDO, OLD CANYON, AND WEST CHATSWORTH
(SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICTS 3 AND 5)
(3 VOTES)**

SUBJECT

This action is to award a public works construction contract for Culverts Upgrade – Phase 1 and authorize the Director of Public Works or her designee to execute a contract for work in the unincorporated communities of Agoura Hills, Big Rock, Cornell, El Nido, Fernwood, Malibu Lake, Monte Nido, Old Canyon, and West Chatsworth.

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT YOUR BOARD:

1. Ratify extension of the date for the receipt and opening of bids from January 24, 2012, to April 10, 2012.
2. Award and authorize the Director of Public Works or her designee to execute and implement the construction contract, and to establish the effective date following receipt of approved Faithful Performance and Labor and Material Bonds and insurance filed by the contractor for Project ID No. RDC0014393 – Culverts Upgrade – Phase 1 for cleaning, video inspection, and lining of existing corrugated metal pipes and corrugated metal pipe arches, in the unincorporated communities of Agoura Hills, Big Rock, Cornell, El Nido, Fernwood, Malibu Lake, Monte Nido, Old Canyon, and West Chatsworth, to Superior Gunite, in the amount of \$1,069,744.

PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION

The purpose of the recommended actions is to award this construction contract and authorize the Director of Public Works (Director) or her designee for extension of the date for bids to be received and to award and execute the contract and establish the effective contract date following receipt of approved Faithful Performance and Labor and Material Bonds and insurance filed by the contractor for this project.

On December 20, 2011, Agenda Item 39, your Board approved the project; adopted the plans and specifications, called for bids to be received on January 24, 2012; and instructed the Executive Officer of the Board of Supervisors to advertise the project.

The call for the receipt and opening of bids was postponed to April 10, 2012, by four amendments to the bidding documents published in January, February, and March 2012.

The December 20, 2011, Board action authorized the Director or her designee to award, execute, and implement a construction contract with the apparent responsible contractor with the lowest responsive bid based on the initial call for bids date of January 24, 2012. This recommendation is made to have your Board ratify extension of the date for the receipt and opening of bids and to award the contract.

The enclosure includes the project description, the call for bids and bid opening date, a tabulation of bids, and financial information. The certified record of receipt of bids and the original bid proposal are also enclosed for this project.

The recommended award of the construction contract is necessary to execute a Board-directed and approved Department of Public Works (Public Works) project in support of operational missions. Your Board's approval of the recommended contract award and the subsequent execution of the contract will ensure the timely completion of the project.

Implementation of Strategic Plan Goals

The Countywide Strategic Plan directs the provisions of Operational Effectiveness (Goal 1) and Integrated Services Delivery (Goal 3). Awarding this contract will provide improved infrastructure to better serve the public and enhance the quality of life in the affected communities.

FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING

This action will have no impact to the County General Fund.

The construction cost of \$1,069,744 is included in the Third and Fifth Supervisorial Districts' Road Construction Program in the Fiscal Year 2011-12 Road Fund Budget.

The enclosure includes the amount of the recommended contract as compared with the engineer's estimate, the other bids received, and more detailed fiscal and financial information.

FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

The contract agreement will be in the form previously reviewed and approved as to form by County Counsel. The recommended contract was solicited on an open-competitive basis and is in accordance with applicable Federal, State, and County requirements. The contractor is in

compliance with the Chief Executive Officer's and your Board's requirements.

The award of this contract will not result in unauthorized disclosure of confidential information and will be in full compliance with Federal, State, and County regulations. This contract contains terms and conditions supporting your Board's ordinances, policies, and programs including, but not limited to: the County of Los Angeles' (County) Greater Avenues for Independence and General Relief Opportunities for Work Programs (GAIN and GROW), Board Policy No. 5.050; Contract Language to Assist in Placement of Displaced County Workers, Board Policy No. 5.110; Reporting of Improper Solicitations, Board Policy No. 5.060; Notice to Contract Employees of Newborn Abandonment Law (Safely Surrendered Baby Law), Board Policy No. 5.135; Contractor Employee Jury Service Program, Los Angeles County Code, Chapter 2.203; Notice to Employees Regarding the Federal Earned Income Credit (Federal Income Tax Law, Internal Revenue Service Notice 1015); Contractor Responsibility and Debarment, Los Angeles County Code, Chapter 2.202; the County's Child Support Compliance Program, Los Angeles County Code, Chapter 2.200; the County's Defaulted Property Tax Reduction Program Ordinance, Los Angeles County Code, Chapter 2.206; Local Business Enterprise Preference Program, Los Angeles County Code, Chapter 2.204; and the standard Board-directed clauses that provide for contract termination or renegotiation.

The State Public Contract Code requires the County to award construction contracts to a responsible contractor with the lowest responsive bid, which is defined as the firm that: (1) submits the lowest-priced bid; (2) is deemed by the County to be responsive to specific criteria under the solicitation including, but not limited to, licensure, bonding, and insurance requirements; and (3) is determined by the County to be a responsible bidder by exhibiting the capability, capacity, experience, trustworthiness, and financial wherewithal to perform the work required under the bid solicitation.

To ensure the contract is awarded to a responsible contractor with a satisfactory history of performance, bidders are required to report violations of the False Claims Act, criminal convictions, civil litigation, defaulted contracts with the County, complaints filed with the Contractor's State License Board, labor law/payroll violations, and debarment actions. As provided for in Board Policy No. 5.140, the information reported by each respective contractor was considered before making this recommendation to award.

The plans and specifications include the contractual provisions, methods, and material requirements necessary for this project and are on file with Public Works.

ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENTATION

On December 20, 2011, Agenda Item 39, your Board found this project to be categorically exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act.

CONTRACTING PROCESS

The contract was solicited on an open-competitive basis in accordance with the provisions of the State Public Contract Code.

The State Labor Code requires contractors to pay prevailing wage rates to all persons employed on public works construction contracts. These rates are determined by the Department of Industrial Relations and include contributions for fringe benefits such as vacations, pension funds, training, and health plans for each employee.

To further increase contractor awareness of contracting opportunities with Public Works, this project was listed on the County website for upcoming bids. Public Works will review and approve the Faithful Performance and payment bonds filed by the contractor.

IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS)

This construction contract will result in improved public works infrastructure in the communities where the work is scheduled.

CONCLUSION

Please return one adopted copy of this letter to the Department of Public Works, Construction Division.

Respectfully submitted,



GAIL FARBER
Director

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Enclosures

c: Chief Executive Office (Rita Robinson)
County Counsel
Executive Office
Internal Services Department (Countywide
Contract Compliance)

AWARD OF CONTRACT
June 6, 2012

PROJECT ID NO. RDC0014393 - Culverts Upgrade - Phase 1 (in the unincorporated communities of Agoura Hills, Big Rock, Cornell, El Nido, Fernwood, Malibu Lake, Monte Nido, Old Canyon, and West Chatsworth), Supervisorial Districts 3 and 5.

TYPE OF WORK: Cleaning, video inspection, and lining of existing corrugated metal pipes and corrugated metal pipe arches and the construction of manholes.

CALL FOR BIDS DATE: December 20, 2011 (Agenda Item 39)

BID OPENING DATE: April 10, 2012

BID SUMMARY:

Low	Superior Gunite 12306 Van Nuys Boulevard Lakeview Terrace, California 91342 (818) 896-9199	\$1,069,744.00
2	SAK Construction of California, LP	\$1,509,440.00
3	RePipe California, Inc.	\$1,721,196.00

FINANCIAL INFORMATION:

Amount of estimate	\$1,289,518.00
Amount of recommended contract	\$1,069,744.00
Amount of recommended contract below estimate	\$ 219,774.00

The amount of the recommended contract is 17 percent below the estimate.

The project cost will be financed with State Proposition 1B Transportation Bond funds under the Local Streets and Road Improvement, Congestion Relief, and Traffic Safety Account of 2006. Funding for this project is included in the Third and Fifth Supervisorial Districts' Road Construction Program in the Fiscal Year 2011-12 Road Fund Budget.

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT:

On December 20, 2011, Agenda Item 39, your Board found this project categorically exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act.

CONSTRUCTION SCHEDULE:

The contract specifications require the work to be completed in 65 working days. It is estimated the work will start in August 2012 and be completed in November 2012.

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